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Applicant: Timothy WEIDMAN, et al

Assignee: APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.

Title: CAPPING LAYER FOR EXTREME LOW DIELECTRIC CONSTANT FILMS

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 14, 2000, the following documents are enclosed to complete the filing of the above-identified patent application:

1. A combined declaration and power of attorney signed by two inventor(s) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 (3 pages);
2. A combined declaration and power of attorney signed by one inventor(s) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 (3 pages);
3. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted

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| ___ each independent claim in excess of 3 (37 CFR 1.16(f)) | \$--- |
| X_ each claim in excess of 20 (37 CFR 1.16(c)) | \$324.00 |
| ___ Late Payment of filing fee or late filing of original declaration or oath - (37 CFR 1.16(e)) | \$130.00 |
| Total Completion Fees | <u>\$1164.00</u> |
| 3. Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d), for the total number of months checked below: | |

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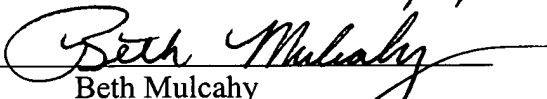
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If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.

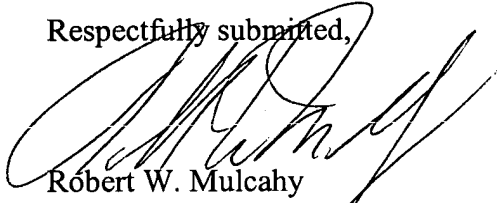
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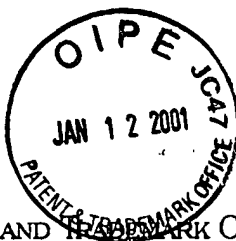
It is hereby respectfully submitted that the enclosed documents complete the filing of the above-named patent application and justify the filing date of October 18, 2000. Please telephone the undersigned at (408) 563-2726 , if there are any questions regarding this matter.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231 on 1/10/2001


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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$324.
 - **\$324** for **18** total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1164.**

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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